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April 02, 2013

The Honorable Board of Supervisors  
County of Los Angeles  
383 Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration  
500 West Temple Street  
Los Angeles, California 90012

Dear Supervisors:

## ADOPTED

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS  
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

15 April 2, 2013

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### **APPOINTMENT AND SALARY FOR LEAD ATTORNEY, CHILDREN'S SPECIAL INVESTIGATIONS UNIT (CSIU) (ALL DISTRICTS) (3 VOTES)**

#### **SUBJECT**

This letter recommends appointment of Ms. Kimberly Wong as the Lead Attorney, Children's Special Investigations Unit, at an annual salary of \$193,000.

#### **IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT THE BOARD:**

1. Appoint Ms. Kimberly Wong as the Lead Attorney, Children's Special Investigations Unit, effective April 2, 2013.
2. Approve an annual salary of \$193,000 for Ms. Kimberly Wong, which will also be effective April 2, 2013.

#### **PURPOSE/JUSTIFICATION OF RECOMMENDED ACTION**

Ms. Kimberly Wong has over 20 years experience practicing law in California which includes experience handling in-depth analysis on a wide range of issues that impact indigent defense, including prison and sentencing reform that enhance public safety, including Restitution Centers and expansion of treatment options for individuals suffering from substance abuse and mental health

disorders, veterans issues, domestic violence, perinatal mental health, as well as criminal justice reform measures.

In her capacity as the Acting Lead Attorney, Children's Special Investigations Unit, Ms. Kimberly Wong has served as special counsel to the Board of Supervisors and provided the Board an independent legal review of child deaths and serious incidents of child abuse or neglect. Ms. Kimberly Wong has also provided the Board, on an attorney-client basis, recommendations to improve the County's delivery of services to children at risk of abuse or neglect and thereby improving the well-being of the children in contact with County departments.

Given Ms. Kimberly Wong's extensive experience and the critical nature of this position, it is recommended that the Board of Supervisors appoint Ms. Wong's as the Lead Attorney, Children's Special Investigations Unit, effective April 2, 2013, with an annual salary of \$193,000.

#### **Implementation of Strategic Plan Goals**

This appointment is in conformance with the County of Los Angeles Strategic Plan's Children's Family and Adult-Well-Being Goal and will ensure continued achievement of integrated, cost-effective and child centered supportive services in the County.

#### **FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING**

Funding for this position is available in the Executive Office's Fiscal Year 2012-2013 operating budget.

#### **FACTS AND PROVISIONS/LEGAL REQUIREMENTS**

The recommended salary will provide appropriate compensation to Ms. Kimberly Wong to perform the duties of the Lead Attorney, Children's Special Investigations Unit.

#### **IMPACT ON CURRENT SERVICES (OR PROJECTS)**

Implementation of this recommendation will provide leadership for the Children's Special Investigations Unit.

#### **CONCLUSION**

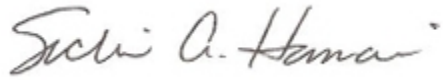
Please return one adopted copy of this letter to Executive Office, Administrative Services Division.

The Honorable Board of Supervisors

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Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Sachi A. Hamai".

SACHI A. HAMAI

Executive Officer, Board of Supervisors

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Chief Executive Officer  
County Counsel